

**Appl. No.** : **10/701,277**  
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### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace Paragraph [0060] with the paragraph below:

**[0060]** The transmission cover 144 surrounds the support bracket 222 and includes an inner transmission case 224 and an outer transmission cover 226. The outer transmission cover 226 includes a peripheral groove 225 into which an edge 227 of the inner transmission case 224 is fitted. On the rearward portion of the transmission cover 144, the inner and outer transmission case and cover 224, 226 are connected by one or more bolts 229.

Please replace Paragraph [0074] with the paragraph below:

**[0074]** The spring cavity 270 is in communication with the transmission chamber 142 via a communication opening 271 in the inner transmission case 224. The spring cavity 270 is isolated from a crank chamber 272 by a main shaft supporting wall 274.